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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of five months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated December 16, 2003, from January 16, 2004, to on or June 16, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1,005.00 (small entity) is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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